

The Board of County Commissioners Of Riley County, Kansas

The Regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners met at the Riley County Plaza East Building February 4, 2002 with the following members present: Bob Newsome, Chairman; Alvan Johnson, Vice Chairman; Russ Frey, Member; and Cindy Kabriels sitting in for Rich Vargo, County Clerk.

8:30 Public Comment

Hjerda McAllister, Administrative Assistant; Cindy Volanti, Administrative Account Analyst; Rich Vargo, County Clerk; Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Ed Grabianowski, Manhattan Mercury; and Janet Dean, Human Resources Coordinator, attended.

The Board of County Commissioners, by consensus, agreed to grant administrative leave for personnel for Wednesday, January 30, 2002 and Thursday, January 31, 2002, the days Riley County Offices were closed due to the snow storm. The commissioners agreed it should be administered the same as last year's administrative leave.

McAllister said the Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet is February 8, 2002.

Frey moved to approve the minutes of January 28, 2002 as amended. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 - 0.

9:03 Business Meeting

Monty Wedel, Director of Planning and Development; Charlotte Shawver, Register of Deeds; Ed Grabianowski, Manhattan Mercury; and Janet Dean, Human Resources Coordinator, attended.

Frey moved to name a road with no name on the west side of the Memorial Hospital to Charles Little Road. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 -0.

Johnson moved to approve the conversion of the Riley County Office Buildings small second floor conference room to an office for George Wuertz, Assistant County Engineer, and approve reallocation of office space as outlined in the proposed plan for the Planning and Development, Public Works and Register of Deeds offices. Frey seconded. Carried 3 -0.

Frey moved to appoint Robert Reeves, James Gardner, Jeff Holmes, George Kennedy, Bronwyn Fees and Bob Newsome to the Riley County Manhattan Health Board for two -year terms, each expiring January 31, 2004.

Frey moved to approve Resolution No. 020402 -11 appointing a representative to the Riley County -Manhattan Health Board -Robert Reeves; Resolution No. 020402 -12 appointing a representative to the Riley County -Manhattan Health Board -James Gardner; Resolution No. 020402 -13 appointing a representative to the Riley County -Manhattan Health Board -Jeff Holmes; Resolution No. 020402 -14 appointing a representative to the Riley County -Manhattan Health Board -George Kennedy; Resolution No. 020402 -15 appointing a representative to the Riley County -Manhattan Health Board -Bronwyn Fees; Resolution No. 020402 -16 appointing a representative to the Riley County -Manhattan Health Board -Bob Newsome. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 -0.

Johnson moved to approve the Highway Use Permit for Southern Bell Telephone Company to relocate buried cable along a portion of Temple Lane, from 1000 to 1050 per Manhattan Maintenance request located in NE ¼ Sec. 19, Twp. 10, Rng. 8. Frey seconded. Carried 3 -0.

Frey moved to sign the State of Kansas Declaration for Participation in the Firefighters Relief Fund for 2002. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 -0.

Frey moved to approve the Highway Use Permit to allow Badger Contracting Company to cut and remove asphalt road to access a water main, located at 4800 Lakewood Ridge located in Sec. 23, Twp. 9, Rng. 7. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 -0.

Frey moved to sign the Utility Agreement between Cox Communications and Riley County for College Avenue Project No. 81C -3495-01. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 -0.

Frey moved to change Karyn M. Miller's status from a Temporary Records Assistant to an As Needed Records Assistant in the Register of Deeds' Office, effective February 3, 2002. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 -0.

9:30 Press Conference

Janet Dean, Human Resources Coordinator; Cheryl Collins, Museum Curator; Ed Grabianowski, Manhattan Mercury; Burke Bayer; Cathy Dawes, KMAN; Rod Meredith, Assistant Director of Public Works/Parks Director; Kathy Carpenter, Legal Assistant, County Attorney's Office; Kathie Schlegel, Legal Secretary, Attorney's Office; Frank McCoy, Director of Community Corrections; Dan Harden, Director of Public Works/County Engineer; Bertra Manning, Administrative Account Analyst, Public Works; Bill Lansdowne, Director of Information Systems; Rich Baker, Accountant, Treasurer's Office; Eileen King, County Treasurer; Monty Wedel, Director of Planning and Development; Kelly Briggs; John Cowan, GIS Coordinator; Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Jan Kruh, League of Women Voters; Anne Johnson,

Custodial; Cathy Robert, Community Corrections; Jason Cohorst, Community Corrections; and Kathy Ryan - Harshbarger, Community Corrections, attended.

Newsome presented years of Service Certificate to the following Riley County employees: Anne Johnson, Kathy Robert, Jason Cohorst, Kathy Ryan - Harshbarger and Rich Baker - 5 year; Kathie Schlegel and Kathy Carpenter - 10 year; Bertra Manning and Cheryl Collins - 20 year.

Meredith and Newsome acknowledged Kelly Briggs and Burke Bayer for their assistance with Fairmont Park. They presented them with a certificate of appreciation.

Burke Bayer said there is a potential for development on the south and east side of the river.

Newsome said projects like the Fairmont Park would not be completed without volunteers giving their time and money.

We discussed the 2001 Accomplishments of the Planning and Development Department.

Morgan discussed the 2001 Accomplishments of the Department of Counselor/Administrative Services including the following departments: 1) Geographical Information Systems 2) Information Systems 3) Budget and 4) Human Resources.

Hardend discussed how the Public Works Department determines the cost estimate for snow storms.

Meredith reviewed procedure for removal of snow and ice by the Public Works Department.

10:15 Rich Vargo attended.

10:15 Budget Committee - Dan Harden, Stan Morgan, Eileen King and

Rich Vargo

Jan Kruh, League of Women Voters; Rod Meredith, Assistant Director of Public Works/Parks Director; and Ed Grabianowski, Manhattan Mercury, attended.

Discussion followed on the estimated 2001 carryover.

Discussion followed on the effect of possible revenue shortfall to the County from demand transfer the State Legislature may take.

10:45 Frank McCoy, Director of Community Corrections and Kathy

Ryan-Harshbarger, Adult Intensive Supervision Officer

Jan Kruh, League of Women Voters, attended.

McCoy discussed possible changes in the administration of the Community Corrections Reimbursement Fund.

The commissioners agreed to sign a letter to Secretary Simmons supporting Kansas Community Correction Association compromise letter of January 24, 2002.

11:15 Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services

• Administrative Work Session

Jan Kruh, League of Women Voters, attended.

Morgan said he is waiting on a legal description of the property north of the Law Enforcement Center.

Morgan said the City will hold a hearing tomorrow on a tax abatement for Nanoscales, Inc.

Morgan said a Tax Sale will be held tomorrow.

Morgan said Dan Messelt will present information to the commission on February 7, 2002 on increased building insurance premiums.

Morgan said he is thinking about hiring a legal intern this summer. Morgan said it would cost about \$4,500.00.

Morgan said he has asked Phil Elwood, an attorney from Topeka to draft a lease on the Memorial Hospital Building.

Morgan said he has met with City Attorney, Bill Frost and County Attorney, Bill Kennedy on the Riley County Police Department facility maintenance cost responsibilities.

Morgan said the Red Cross has expressed interest in establishing a "traveling trophy" to organizations donating blood.

The commission asked Morgan to discuss the "traveling trophy" with Department Heads.

Morgan said the REACH Committee would like to sell Riley County logo shirts to generate revenue for various County employee functions.

Newsom said several organizations have requested presentation of the sales tax.

The Board of County Commissioners cancelled the February 18, 2002 Board of County Commissioners meeting.

Frey moved to approve a warrant voucher for the Public Works/Road and Bridge Department in the amount of \$27,282.00. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 - 0.

11:45 Recessed to attend a luncheon at the Wolf House Museum.

1:01 Frey moved to adjourn. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 - 0.